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Performance of the GlueX Barrel Calorimeter¹ ELTON SMITH,
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COLLABORATION — The GlueX experiment at Jefferson Lab will search for ex-
otic hybrid mesons, a new form of hadronic matter that exhibits gluonic degrees
of freedom. We have taken data to commission the experiment and report here on
the construction and performance of the electromagnetic barrel calorimeter (BCAL).
The BCAL is a “spaghetti calorimeter,” consisting of layers of corrugated lead sheets,
interleaved with planes of 1-mm-diameter, double-clad, scintillating fibers, bonded
in the lead grooves using optical epoxy. This detector consists of 48 modules that
are readout using 3,840 large-area Multi-Photon Pixel counter (MPPC) arrays [1].
The measured width of the π^0 mass peak is approximately 10 MeV, only slightly
higher than projections based on prototypes [2]. Systematic studies are underway
to understand the contributions to the resolution and improve its performance.

[1] O. Soto *et al.*, NIM A732 (2013) 431.

[2] B.D. Leverington *et al.*, NIM A596 (2008) 327.

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